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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr KLEPSCH, Mr BERSANI, Mr DESCHAMPS and  
Mr VERGEER, on behalf of the Christian-Democratic  
Group (Group of the EPP)

with request for debate by urgent procedure  
pursuant to Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure,

on the need to provide urgent humanitarian aid  
to the population of Uganda

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### RESOLUTION

on the need to provide urgent humanitarian aid for the people of Uganda  
The European Parliament,

- deeply concerned by the suffering being endured, mainly by the civilian population in Uganda, as a result of the violent clashes in that country;
  - aware of the ties which bind Uganda and the European Community within the Lomé Convention, and the solidarity between the peoples of Europe and the people of Uganda, whose long tradition of cultural and social development it acknowledges with respect;
1. Calls upon the Commission, Council and the Member States to make every effort to provide the population of Uganda with urgent humanitarian aid;
  2. Also calls upon these European institutions and countries to coordinate their action with that of the International Red Cross, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the neighbouring countries most concerned, so that the effective relief needed may be brought to the many victims of these latest clashes;
  3. Hopes that, as soon as real peace is assured, the Community will give priority, within its cooperation policy, to projects aimed at the reconstruction of Uganda and the revival of its economy;
  4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission and the governments of the Member States.

### REASONS FOR THE REQUEST FOR URGENT PROCEDURE

For some time now UGANDA has been disturbed by an internal war which has caused numerous victims and is likely to cause more, mainly because of the conditions of poverty afflicting the population.

The press and eye-witnesses have informed world public opinion of the plight of the children in particular.

The Lomé Convention, to which Uganda belongs, calls for special solidarity on the part of the European Community.